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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM MOOSE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDEV, RH, US

SUBJECT: KAUNDA MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR

REF: LUSAKA 2732 (NOTAL)

1. YOUR PROPOSED LINE SOUNDS FINE TO ME. AT YOUR DISCRETION YOU MIGHT ADD THESE THOUGHTS:

(A) APPEARANCE THAT THE UK-US PROPOSAL IS MOVING IS BEST
DETERRENT TO MUZOREWA OR SITHOLE DEAL WITH SMITH (I
ASSUME THIS IS ONE OF K.K.'S PRIMARY CONCERNS.)

(B) AFRICAN SUPPORT FOR FORTHCOMING SECURITY COUNCIL
MOVE TO NAME REP TO WORK WITH CARVER WILL PUT SMITH SQUARELY
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ON THE SPOT AND DISABUSE HIM OF HOPE THAT HE CAN RELY ON
DIVISIONS WITHIN PF AND FLP TO TAKE THE PRESSURE OFF HIM.

(C) IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING, KAUNDA'S SUPPORT OF UN MOVE
WITHIN FLP WILL BE HIGHLY USEFUL.

2. IF KAUNDA PRESSES YOU ON STEPS WE WILL TAKE AGAINST

SMITH ASSURE HIM THAT THIS IS SUBJECT OF FIRM COMMITMENT
BY HIGHEST LEVEL HERE AS COMMUNICATED TO NYERERE. YOU
COULD SAY THAT US AND UK WOULD NOT HAVE EMBARKED ON THIS

ENTERPRISE, IN LIGHT OF PAST EXPERIENCE, WITHOUT HAVING
CONSIDERED AND MADE PREPARATIONS FOR CONTINGENCIES.
NEVERTHELESS, WE MUST APPROACH PROBLEM BY CAREFUL STAGES.
OUR NEXT STEP IS TO GET THE UN REP NAMED. ALL WE NEED FOR
THIS PURPOSE IS FIRM FRONT LINE SUPPORT FOR THAT LIMITED
ACTION WHICH DOES NOT NECESSITATE ENDORSEMENT OF OVERALL
PROPOSALS AS SUCH. IT WILL BE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT THAT
THE FRONT LINE COMMUNICATE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THIS PROCEDURAL
STEP TO AFRICAN SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

3. I NOTE KAUNDA'S MOUNTING CONCERN OVER HIS OWN MILITARY
VULNERABILITY. IF IT HELPS TELL HIM THAT WE ARE WATCHING
THIS SITUATION VERY CLOSELY AND THAT WE PLAN TO SPEAK TO
THE SOUTH AFRICANS ABOUT IT TODAY. FYI: I AM HAVING AN
INFORMAL CONVERSATION WITH SAG AMBASSADOR SOLE THIS P.M.
AND WILL MAKE THE POINT. VANCE

NOTE BY OC/T: EXDIS CAPTION ADDED PER S/S-O, MR. GUNDERSON.

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